

Flavor Benchmarks

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1. The general idea(s)

Benchmarks: (are not a new idea ...)

a set of parameter points in a (your favorite) model (beyond the SM)

- Tool for BSM searches at colliders (past, present, future)
→ often it is not feasible to scan over all parameters
- Map out the characteristics of the parameter space
- Take into account all(?) possibilities
- Ensure compatibility with all(?) current bounds
 - searches for new particles
 - (low-energy) flavor bounds
 - (low-energy) electroweak precision bounds
 - cold dark matter
 - ...

Benchmarks can be used to:

- Study the performance of different detectors
- Study the performance of different experiments
- Perform very detailed studies
- Analyzing the complementarity of different experiments
- Work out synergy effects of different experiments

Prime example from the past: SPS (Snowmass points and slopes)

(especially SPS 1a)

[[hep-ph/0202233](#)]

External constraints?

If a benchmark is designed to **test one sector** of a specific model

⇒ should constraints from other sectors be taken into account?

⇒ could they be easily avoided?

If a benchmark is designed to **test collider phenomenology**

then little changes that do not affect the collider phenomenology can easily avoid:

- bounds from cold dark matter
- bounds on $(g - 2)_\mu$
- b physics constraints

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My personal wishes:

Find/use points as described above (in the **(N)MFV MSSM**) ...

that show interesting phenomenology in **low- and high-energy experiments**

⇒ study the **complementarity** of the **low/high-energy experiments**

⇒ study the **synergy** of the **low/high-energy experiments**

i.e. **combine results from all sources to pin down the (N)MFV MSSM**

... but this seems to be very difficult

2. Different approaches

After some discussions we agreed on a two-step process:

1. Identify "interesting" points ("benchmarks") for experimental analysis at ATLAS and CMS.

"interesting" means points in the parameter space that are "favored" by available flavor and high-energy data.

2. Provide the tools (to a master tool) so that everyone (especially the experimentalists from ATLAS and CMS) can check potentially "interesting" points (for joint (experiment + theory) analyses).

And eventually (3.):

Perform the analysis to investigate the collider reach and phenomenology in the "interesting/favored" points

The broad idea how to proceed with the first step:

- a) **Identify the models** we want to investigate.
- b) **Collect suggestions for the point(s)** in each model.
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Sounds good . . .

. . . reality looked a bit different

One approach (with ATLAS):

1. Start with SPS 1a
2. Check consistency with b physics observables
3. Not fully consistent? \Rightarrow add (small?) flavor violation
Fully consistent? \Rightarrow add as much is allowed without violating constraints
4. \Rightarrow check for new effects in high-energy analyses (ATLAS)

Status?

Ask Luca and/or Giacomo! ;-)

Another approach (with CMS):

1. Choose model: MFV MSSM
later (hopefully) also NMFV MSSM
2. Find points that are in perfect agreement with b physics observables
3. Check against other observables (electroweak precision, masses)
⇒ build a master tool for checks
(second step of the two-step process)
4. ⇒ check for effects in high-energy analyses (CMS)

Status?

See the next chapter of this talk

See the next talk by Michael Schmitt (UFL)

3. One approach in more detail

Step 1:

Model of our choice: MFV MSSM

possible extension at a later stage: NMFV MSSM

Starting point: hep-ph/0605012, Gino Isidori, Paride Paradisi

General feature: large $\tan\beta$, large M_{SUSY}

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These points:

- pass all current b physics bounds
- pass all current SUSY collider searches
- should be checked for the Higgs sector constraints
- should be checked for electroweak precision observables

⇒ may sound trivial, but wait for NMFV MSSM!

⇒ currently under study in CMS (see next talk)

Overview about the SUSY parameters:

	range	“best” value(s)
$\tan \beta$	30 – 50	40
M_A [GeV]	300 – 1000	300, 500, 800, 1000
A_t [GeV]	-2000 – -1000	-1000, -2000
μ [GeV]	500 – 1000	500, 1000
$M_{\tilde{q}}$ [GeV]	> 1000	1000, 2000
$M_{\tilde{l}}$	$1/2 M_{\tilde{q}}$	
$M_{\tilde{g}}$	$M_{\tilde{q}}$	
M_2 [GeV]		300, 500
M_1	$1/2 M_2$	

Step 2: the master tool

⇒ a code that calls the special codes evaluating all observables

1. code: *b* physics

based on [hep-ph/0605012](#) [*G. Isidori, P. Paradisi*]

→ used by the CMS experimentalists

2. code: Higgs and precision observables

→ [FeynHiggs](#) [*T. Hahn, S.H., W. Hollik, G. Weiglein*]

→ not yet included(?)

3. code: other/complementary observables

→ anybody interested?

⇒ Let's see how this works out ...

4. Conclusions

- Benchmarks are an essential tool for collider studies
- Our idea here: study collider phenomenology in (SUSY) models:
 - agreement with direct experimental searches
 - agreement with flavor physics constraints
 - agreement with precision observables constraints
- Two step process:
 - identify such points
 - combine tools to a master tool (especially for experimentalists)
- One approach: SPS 1a (ATLAS)
- Second approach (CMS):
 - model: MFV MSSM (later: NMFV MSSM)
 - to fulfill b physics: large $\tan \beta$, large M_{SUSY} , ...
 - to check Higgs, precision observables

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